BEFORE

## THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 87-223-E - ORDER NO. 89-521

MAY 17, 1989

IN RE: Generic Proceeding to Address )

Least Cost Planning Procedures ) ORDER

for Jurisdictional Electric )

Utilities.

The Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) on its own motion has established a generic proceeding involving all jurisdictional electric utilities to address least cost planning procedures. Least Cost Planning refers to efforts by utilities and regulators to ensure that the lowest cost options to the ratepayers and utilities are integrated into the designing of resource plans for the provision of energy services to customers. The Commission acknowledges least cost planning strategies have been incorporated in previous cases but without the benefit of a comprehensive planning approach.

The Commission hereby requires Carolina Power & Light Co.,
Duke Power Company, South Carolina Electric & Gas Company and
Lockhart Power Company to file with the Commission and serve on all
parties in this docket least cost integrated resource plans by
September 15, 1989. The Commission suggests that the least cost
integrated resource plans consist of at least the following
components: a load forecast and an integrated resource plan.

Discovery will be continued to be held in abeyance pursuant to Order Nos. 87-1401 and 88-85 until further notice.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Chairman J. Phaser

ATTEST:

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